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Poloff discussed reftel talking points with Carlos Cordero, Director of Multilateral Policy at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs. Cordero reiterated Costa Rica's support for the adoption of the Red Crystal as the Third Additional Protocol. Poloff stressed the importance of Costa Rica's participation in all conferences that deal with the Red Crystal and encouraged Costa Rica to oppose any efforts to block or delay voting on the amendment. The likely Costa Rican representative to the June 20-21 International Conference of the Red Cross and Red Crescent in Geneva will be the president of the Costa Rican Red Cross, Miguel Carmona Jimenez.

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